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✓ Subject: *John K. Moore* *#1 = 10/5/64*
FILE NUMBER 100-23460 *#48 = 12/8/71*

FOIPA No. 1055474

Dear Mr. Lazar:

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AIRTEL

REGULAR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-New)
SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING;
GROVER L. BERTRAM;
[REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Several inquiries have been received by the Baltimore Office regarding a telephone recording on Baltimore telephone number 254-8942. A call to this number on 10/2/64 disclosed that this was a recording dealing with the Negro - white controversies, race riots, and communist infiltration. The recording alleged that the race riots in Eastern cities were the result of communist activities.

A call to the same telephone number on 10/5/64 disclosed that this was a recording opposing gun laws prohibiting citizens from keeping guns in their possession. The recording pointed out that citizens in Texas are not required to register their guns while citizens in New York City were and there were more murders in New York City than in Texas.

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On 10/2/64, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (Protect Identity) advised that number 254-8942 was listed to LET FREEDOM RING and the [REDACTED] of this organization was [REDACTED]

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BA 100-New

The recording advised the listener to obtain additional information by sending money to Post Office Box Number 8456, Baltimore, Maryland.

On 10/2/64, it was ascertained that Post Office Box Number 8456, Baltimore, Maryland was held by G. L. BERTRAM, 5515 Edna Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

In connection with another matter, Mr. GROVER L. BERTRAM, 2714 Berwick Avenue was interviewed by SAs of the FBI and he identified himself as a "section leader" of the John Birch Society and the operator of a bookmobile selling periodicals of the "American Opinion" Library (Birch Society).

Credit Bureau records reflect that [redacted]
[redacted] and that they formerly resided at [redacted]

Inasmuch as there appears to be no violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction, no further investigation is being conducted on this matter.

The above is being furnished for the information *ANY HAVE* of the Bureau inasmuch as it is possible the Bureau *inquires* regarding this matter.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-New)

DATE: 10/5/64

FROM : FRANCIS J. WALSH

SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING;
GROVER L. BERTRAM;

INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Baltimore teletype 10/2/64, captioned ^{AS} above.

It is recommended that a dead file be opened in regard to this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

Sac, Baltimore

DATE: 10-3-64

FROM :

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SUBJECT:

Left Freedom Ring - Subj. of telephone recording.

Remains free
10/3/64

The Ba office was telephonically contacted at approximately 1:30 am this date by [redacted]

[redacted] advised he was in a bar when a man gave him the following telephone number to call, 254-8942. He called the number and thought ^{the FBI} should be notified.

After being advised this was a recording the writer also called this number and found it to be a claim that the communists were

behind the negro movement and that negroes were arming for a revolt. It also stated a new recording would be at the same number on Monday.

[redacted] does not know the name of the man who gave him this number but could point

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The recording began and ended with the
phrase "✓ Let Freedom Ring" For more information
youth are to send \$1.50 to Box 8456, Baltimore
34, Md. asked if the
information was of value he would like for
us to call him and let him know.

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94-263-117 p3
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

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DATE:

10/5/64

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FROM :

sa.

SUBJECT:

*"Let Freedom Ring"
unknown subject at phone
security matter - C*

On this date,

[redacted] telephoned to state that for the past two weeks he has been receiving peculiar phone calls — some of which have asked him for a Communist message. He doesn't understand the reason for this and on one occasion asked what number the person wanted and was told [redacted] The complainant's phone # [redacted]

Complainant works at the [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

SAC (100-23460)

DATE: October 9, 1964

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

UNIDENTIFIED TELEPHONE RECORDING UNDER
LISTING 254-8942 CONCERNING NEGRO-WHITE CONTROVERSY,
RACE RIOTS, COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
RACIAL MATTERS

At 6:30 p.m., October 1, 1964, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically advised he had been told to dial 254-8942 and to listen. He dialed the number and heard an unidentified recording concerned with the Negro-white controversy, race riots and communist infiltration. The recording advised the listener that additional information could be obtained by sending \$1.50 to a certain P. O. Box Number 8456. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was furnishing the above for the information of the Bureau.

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10/15/64

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REGULAR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23460)

SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING;
CROWER L. BERTRAM;
[REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Baltimore airtel to Bureau, dated 10/5/64,
captioned as above.

A telephone call to Baltimore telephone
number 254-8942 on 10/15/64 resulted in the receipt
of a recorded message. The voice stated "Let freedom
ring. The following is from the F. B. I. Law Enforce-
ment Bulletin, March, 1960, quote." The voice then
quotes a portion of the Director's message to all law
enforcement officers which appears on page 1 and 2
of the March, 1960, Law Enforcement Bulletin. The
portion quoted is the last two paragraphs beginning
"Under communist domination in America" and
ending "Very truly yours, JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, Director."

The voice then goes on to say "the booklet"
in which the above message is quoted can be obtained
by sending 50 cents to P. O. Box 8456, Baltimore,
Maryland.

Efforts will be made to obtain "the booklet"
which is mentioned in the message.

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As is set forth in re airtel, the Baltimore telephone number 254-8942 is listed to Let Freedom Ring. The [redacted] of this organization is [redacted]

P. O. Box No. 8456, Baltimore, Maryland, is held by G. L. BERTRAM, 5515 Edna Avenue, Baltimore.

GROVER L. BERTRAM has identified himself as a "Section Leader" of the John Birch Society and the operator of a bookmobile selling periodicals of the "American Opinion" library (Birch Society).
[redacted]

When "the booklet" mentioned in the recording is obtained by this office, recommendations as to what action should be taken will be submitted.

10/21/64

AIRTEL

REGISTERED MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23460)
SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING:
GROVER L. BERTMAN,
[REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Re Baltimore airtel to Director dated 10/15/64.

Baltimore is continuing to receive inquiries concerning recorded messages on Baltimore telephone number 254-8942 on 10/21/64. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of the Mount Washington Gun Club, telephonically advised that as a result of several calls to that telephone number in the past two weeks, he feels that it may be sponsored by a "hate" organization.

The message on 10/21/64 deals with alleged Communist infiltration of our churches and poses the question, "Is civil rights a moral issue or a political farce." Then the listener is invited to learn the answer to this question by attending a meeting to be held at 7:45 p.m., 10/23/64, in the Severna Park High School auditorium, Severna Park, Md., at which [REDACTED] of the Church League of America, will speak.

The 10/15/64 edition of "The Star," Glen Burnie, Md., contained an item concerning the above meeting. The item reflects that [REDACTED] of "Collectivism in the Churches" and the "Manual for Survival." It reflects that [REDACTED] of the Air Force Reserve is a former [REDACTED] in the Air Force, and is allegedly an authority on the way in which communists are infiltrating American institutions and organizations.

Above is furnished for the information of the Bureau.

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1 - Baltimore
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BRIEF OF TELEPHONE RECORDING (254-8942)

✓ 100-23460*

A. RECORDING OPENS WITH "LET FREEDOM RING".

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- (1) GIVES STATISTICS CONCERNING "UNICEF".
- a. 10 million dollars for KATANGA PROVINCE
 - b. numerou funds for COMMUNIST POLAND, YUGOSLAVIA,
 - c. 132 thousand dollars for CUBA
 - d. 670 thousand " for COMMUNIST ALGERIA.

(2.) QUOTES an individual by the name of



(3.) URGES MARYLAND CITIZENS NOT TO VOTE FOR QUESTION #5,
IN THE GENERAL ELECTIONS (NOV.3)

(4.) TELLS LISTENER TO CALL SUNDAY FOR A NEW MESSAGE.

(5.) ENDS WITH WORDS, " LET FREEDOM RING".

CALL TAKEN BY :



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

DATE: 10/31/64

FROM

SUBJECT: UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND (UNICEF)

At 11:30 PM. this date, the writer was telephonically contacted by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that she had dialed a certain telephone number (254 - 8942) and was extremely disturbed with what the recording had to say.

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She said that from what she had heard that it would appear that the recording subversive and possibly communist inspired. [REDACTED] was advised that the matter would be looked into upon listening to the recording.

[REDACTED] also advised that her husband was a former SPECIAL AGENT of the F.B.I.

Upon termination of the conversation with [REDACTED] THE WRITER DIALED THE TELEPHONE NUMBER and BRIEFED THE MAIN POINTS OF THE RECORDING, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED. BALTIMORE INDICES NEGATIVE ON " UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND, TELEPHONE NUMBER (254-8942)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23460)

DATE: 11/6/64

FROM :

[Redacted]

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SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 11/5/64

[Redacted]

Work phone# [Redacted], telephonically contacted this office and stated that he had been advised by fellow workers to call 254-8942, and after calling that number and listening to a recorded message, he and his fellow workers wanted to find out about the organization, and wanted to notify the FBI of the recorded message.

[Redacted] requested that writer call the number, listen, and then take what ever action was felt necessary.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23460)

DATE: 11/6/64

FROM :

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SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 11/6/64

[redacted] telephonically contacted this office and requested information regarding the recorded message that is heard by calling 254-8942. [redacted] stated that she ~~had~~^{AA} been told that the message was backed by the FBI, and while she didn't think this was the case she wanted to know if it was authentic.

[redacted] was advised that ~~XXXXX~~ writer knew of no FBI supported recording service, and that writer was not aware of the message that could be received by calling the number given, however ^{her} ~~the~~ information would be ^{noted} ~~taken~~ and action would be taken if the recording was ^A ~~a~~ violation of ~~XXX~~ the FBI's jurisdiction.

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TAPE RULED NO VIOLATION

'Let Freedom Ring' Is Free Of Corrupt Practices Act

The Maryland attorney general's office yesterday ruled that an anonymous political telephone recording called "Let Freedom Ring" was not in violation of "the express wording of the Corrupt Practices Act as presently written."

Robert F. Sweeney, assistant attorney general, said, however, that a letter will be sent to the Legislative Council subcommittee on election laws recommending that "such telephonic devices be included in the law."

Act Specifies "Printed" Word

"Although it is obviously a political advertisement — certainly its recommendation to vote for Goldwater would mean this — within the general meaning of the term as used within the Corrupt Practices Act, in our opinion it does not constitute a criminal violation of the present law," Mr. Sweeney said.

Mr. Sweeney said that the Corrupt Practices Act specifies that every printed political advertisement must carry the name of the person responsible for it.

"I strongly feel it is a violation of the intent of the election laws," the assistant attorney general said, but added that the spoken word was not specifically included in the act.

Two-Minute Taped Message

"Let Freedom Ring" is a two-minute taped message that can be listened to by dialing the correct number.

The Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company rents the answering device for \$15 installation and \$15 a month.

The company will not release the name of the renter, saying it must maintain the sanctity of its contracts.

A spokesman for the utility said yesterday that the company is in the business of providing equal service to everyone on equal terms.

"We cannot restrict the freedom of service . . . If we offer a service we must provide it to every customer who requests it. If the service is used in the violation of the law, we will discontinue it on order from proper city or State authorities," the spokesman said.

Linked To Birch Society

He said that the company has received a number of "comments" on "Let Freedom Ring" from customers but that no record of the number or nature of the comments had been kept.

"Let Freedom Ring" has been available in Baltimore for several months. Targets for its attacks have included President Johnson, civil rights, gun control laws, police review boards and, currently, UNICEF.

Several of its messages have asked for contributions to be sent to the mailing address of the American Opinion Library, which is the propaganda arm of the John Birch Society, run locally by G. L. Bertram, a retired industrialist.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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— THE EVENING SUN

— THE SUNDAY SUN

— THE
AMERICAN

— BALTIMORE, MD.

Date: 10/31/64

Edition:

Author:

Editor:

Title:

Character:

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Classification: 100-23466

Submitting Office: BALTIMORE

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DIRECTOR, FBI

11/27/64

SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23460)

LET FREEDOM RING
GROVER L. BERTRAM

INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Re Baltimore airtels to Director dated 10/15/64 and 10/21/64.

In an attempt to obtain a "booklet" in which is allegedly quoted a part of the Directors message from the F.B.I. Law Enforcement Bulletin, March 1960, fifty cents was mailed to P.O. Box 8456, Baltimore 3, Md. on 10/16/64 with a request for the "booklet." A fictitious name and [redacted] was used for the return address, however the "booklet" has never been received.

The Baltimore Sun newspaper on 10/31/64 contained a story under the caption "Tape Ruled No Violation" which stated in part:

The Maryland attorney general's office yesterday ruled that an anonymous political telephone recording called "Let Freedom Ring" was not in violation of "the express wording of the Corrupt Practices Act as presently written."

ROBERT F. SWEENEY, assistant attorney general, said however, that a letter will be sent to the Legislative Council subcommittee on election laws recommending that "such telephonic devices be included in the law."

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Several of its messages have asked for contributions to be used to the mailing address of the American Opinion Library, which is the propaganda arm of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, run locally by G. L. BERTRAM, a retired industrialist.

The Baltimore Office continues to receive inquiries concerning messages on Baltimore telephone number 254-8942. There appears to be no federal violation. No active investigation being conducted in this matter.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-

DATE: 1/19/65

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FROM :

[Redacted]

SUBJECT:

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George L. Bertram
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157-16-1141

On 1/19/65 Mr. G. L. Bertram, 2714 Berwick Avenue, Baltimore 34, Maryland, telephonically advised that he was a member of the John Birch Society, Let Freedom Ring and other organizations, and had subscribed to a trial issue of the Daily Worker, and now was going to take the worker for the next year.

stated

Bertram ~~XXXXXX~~ that he was calling to advise this office, because a friend said that he should.



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SAC, BALTIMORE (100-

1/19/65

G.L. BERTRAM 157-0A-225
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*Grover L. Bertram 100-23382-62;
100-23460*; 157-16-1141*

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^{stated}
Bertram ~~XXXXXX~~ that he was calling to advise this office, because a friend said that he should.



JAN 19 1965

SAC, BALTIMORE [redacted]

1/19/65

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[redacted]

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On [redacted] [redacted]
the contents of a envelope addressed [redacted] The
envelope was post marked "Dec. 4, 1964" [redacted]
from [redacted]
[redacted]

Inside the envelope were five slips of paper
which read as follows:

"People who Received the Worker 11/1, 11/8
and 11/15/64 [redacted]
[redacted]

"People Who Received The Worker 11/15, 11/22
and 11/29 [redacted]
[redacted]

"People who Received The Worker 11/8, 11/15
and 11/22/64 [redacted]
[redacted]

"G. L. BENTHAM
2714 Borwick Ave.
Baltimore, Md. 21234
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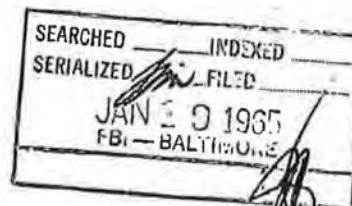
1 - NEW YORK (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS, Inc.)(RM)

ccs: [redacted]
1 [redacted]
1 [redacted]
1 [redacted]
1 [redacted]

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[redacted]

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"The informant said that the slips indicated that BERTRAM [redacted] were now subscribers to the Worker while the other three were merely the recipients of complimentary copies.

SA [redacted] photostated the envelope and the slips on 12/8/64 and on 12/8/64 returned the originals to [redacted]

[redacted] The photostats are being retained in [redacted]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-0)

DATE: January 30, 1965

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: ~~LET FREEDOM RING~~
SM - C

On January 30, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephoned this office to advise that he had received a call in which he was told to call Number 254-8942. When he called it, he heard a recording starting with the words, "Let Freedom Ring," followed by a denunciation of the U. S. Supreme Court for its stand in favor of Urban Renewal. [REDACTED] said that the person who called him told him that each week there is a different message at the foregoing telephone number and that some weeks ago the message attacked Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

[REDACTED] stated that he did not know who was behind the telephone message but felt that the FBI should know about the attacks on the Supreme Court.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23460)

DATE: 4/7/65

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING
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On 4/7/65, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically advised from her office at Commercial Accounts, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, 677 - 3161, the following:

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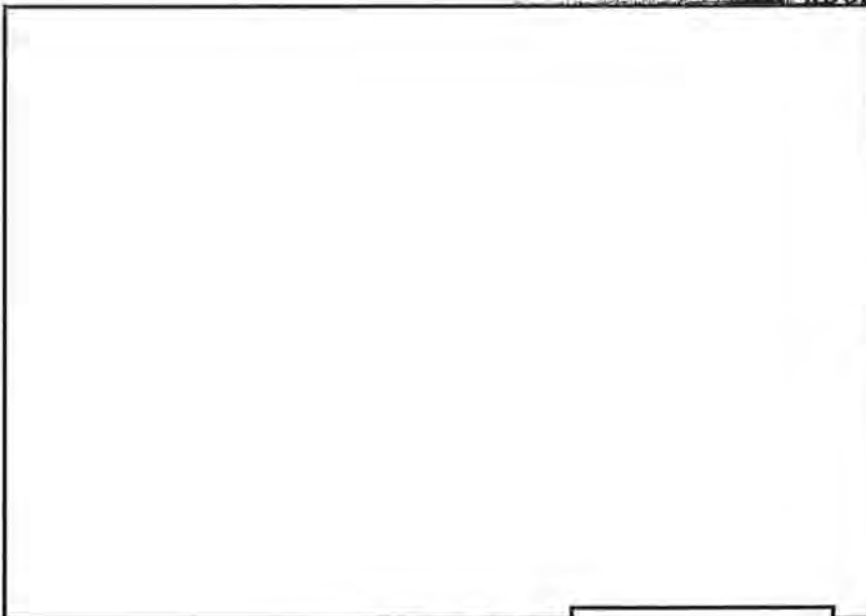
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC,
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT:

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Weekend Edition



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On 3/2/65 and 3/8/65, [redacted] who has
furnished reliable information in the past, furnished
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The name and address of an individual on
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A T T E S T:

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By: _____
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Let Freedom Ring!

LET FREEDOM RING!

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WITH THE AWARDING OF THE NOBEL "PEACE" PRIZE TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. IT SHOULD BE OBVIOUS TO EVERYONE THAT THE NOBEL PRIZE IS NOTHING MORE THAN AN INSTRUMENT FOR FURTHERING THE CAUSE OF COMMUNIST WORLD REVOLUTION. THE COMMUNISTS HAVE DIRECTED THEIR FOLLOWERS TO LOOK TO DOCTOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., FOR LEADERSHIP IN THE RACIAL REVOLUTION AND HE HAS UNDOUBTEDLY INSPIRED MORE HATRED BETWEEN THE RACES THAN ANY OTHER TEN MEN.

THE ENORMITY OF THIS INSULT TO THE AMERICAN NEGRO IS REVEALED IN KING'S BACKGROUND, OF WHICH MOST AMERICANS KNOW VERY LITTLE. HE HAS DOZENS OF COMMUNIST-FRONT AFFILIATIONS AND HE HAS BEEN PHOTOGRAPHED IN ATTENDANCE AT A COMMUNIST TRAINING SCHOOL. KING HAS MANY CLOSE ASSOCIATES WITH NOTORIOUS COMMUNIST RECORDS AND ONE OF THEM, BAYARD RUSTIN, IS A SEX PERVERT, DRAFT DODGER, JAIL BIRD AND A FORMER MEMBER OF THE YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE.

ARE WE USING "GUILT BY ASSOCIATION?" YES, WE CERTAINLY ARE DID YOU EVER SEE A PELICAN COHABIT WITH A WOODPECKER? NEITHER DID WE. AND UNTIL WE SIGHT OUR FIRST PELIPECKER, WE WILL MAINTAIN THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IS A FAKE HUMANITARIAN WHO IS LEADING THE NEGRO PEOPLE INTO THE ABYSS OF COMMUNISM.

FROM THE MANCHESTER NEW HAMPSHIRE UNION LEADER WE QUOTE: "ARE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE SO BEMUSED BY CIVIL RIGHTS PROPAGANDA THAT THEY ARE NO LONGER WILLING TO SPEAK OUT AGAINST SUCH AFFRONTS TO COMMON DECENCY? OR HAVE THEY BEEN SUFFICIENTLY COWED BY THE CHARGE OF 'BIDOTRY' THAT THEY FEEL THEY DARE NOT SPEAK OUT AGAINST MANIFESTATIONS OF NEGRO RACISM?" (UNQUOTE)

FOR THE UGLY TRUTH ABOUT MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SEND A \$1 DONATION TO:

"The Fake Humanitarian"
Box 1775
Sarasota, Florida

LET FREEDOM RING!

REF: (1) American Opinion Mag., Nov. 1963
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January 26, 1965
#127

AMERICA WILL SOON BE IN A POSITION OF HOPELESS MILITARY INFERIORITY TO THE BEASTS OF RUSSIA BECAUSE OF DELIBERATE DISARMAMENT BY TRAITORS IN THE JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION. THE NIKE-ZEUS MISSILE, FOR EXAMPLE, WAS JUNKED AFTER HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL TESTS SUPPOSEDLY BECAUSE THE NIKE-X WAS TO BE A BETTER WEAPON. BUT THEN FUNDS WERE DENIED FOR THE PRODUCTION OF NIKE-X. THIS IS NOT ECONOMY: THIS IS NOT STUPIDITY: THIS IS TREASON!

MISSILES ARE NOW POISED IN CUBA FOR A FINAL, FATAL SHOT AT AMERICA'S HEART. YET LYNDON JOHNSON, IN HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS, DRONED ON ABOUT HIS PHONY WAR ON POVERTY AND PRETENDED THAT THE COMMUNIST THREAT TO AMERICA DID NOT EXIST.

RUNNING APACE WITH THIS DISARMAMENT ON THE NATIONAL LEVEL IS THE PLAN TO DISARM INDIVIDUAL AMERICANS THROUGH COMPULSORY GUN REGISTRATION AND THEN EVENTUAL SEIZURE OF ALL REGISTERED WEAPONS. AFTER THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED, RACE RIOTS, STRIKES, SABOTAGE AND OTHER FORMS OF COMMUNIST-DIRECTED DISORDER WILL BE USED AS AN EXCUSE TO BRING AMERICA UNDER THE HEEL OF A U. N. MILITARY JUNTA.

IF WE ARE DISARMED BOTH NATIONALLY AND AS INDIVIDUALS, IF THE AMERICAN ARMY IS IN THE FAR CORNERS OF THE WORLD, SUPPOSEDLY FIGHTING COMMUNISM, WHO IS TO STOP THE COMMUNIST-DIRECTED U.N. ARMY FROM MOVING IN UNDER THE PRETEXT OF ESTABLISHING LAW AND ORDER? HOW MANY AMERICANS KNOW THAT 30 NATIONS MET IN CANADA LAST JULY IN ORDER TO STREAMLINE THIS MILITARY JUNTA? THIS MEETING WAS BIG NEWS IN CANADA BUT WAS LARGELY SUPPRESSED IN THE UNITED STATES.

IF YOU WANT TO KNOW ALL ABOUT THE JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION'S PLAN TO HELP THE KREMLIN BURY YOU, SEND A DOLLAR DONATION TO"

The Gravediggers
Box 1775
Sarasota, Florida

FOR ONE DOLLAR WE WILL SEND YOU 2 COPIES OF THIS SHOCKING BOOK.

LET FREEDOM RING!

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ONCE A MOROCCAN BANDIT NAMED [REDACTED] KIDNAPPED AN AMERICAN NAMED [REDACTED] AND PROUD AMERICA ROSE UP AND SAID, [REDACTED] ALIVE OR [REDACTED] DEAD!" TODAY THE NAMES ARE DIFFERENT - CARLSON AND [REDACTED] - THE SITUATION IS THE SAME. BUT SOMETHING ELSE IS DIFFERENT. THE AMERICAN VIRILITY AND COURAGE ARE GONE AND, INSTEAD OF SAYING "CARLSON ALIVE OR [REDACTED] DEAD," OUR DEGENERATE AND COWARDLY STATE DEPARTMENT WENT TO ITS KNEES AND PLEADED WITH A RED CANNIBAL NAMED KENYATTA TO INTERCEDE FOR US.

IN A SENSE [REDACTED] WAS A FRAUD. HIS PATIENTS UNDOUBTEDLY THOUGHT THAT ALL AMERICANS WERE LIKE HIM - DEDICATED AND UNAFRAID. BUT THEY WERE WRONG. AN AMERICA, PARALYZED WITH WEALTH AND DRUGGED WITH CHEAP TELEVISION WILL DO NOTHING TO AVENGE HIS DEATH.

THE NAME [REDACTED] HAS LEFT THE NEWSPAPER FRONT PAGE TO BE REPLACED BY THE NAME KING -- THE NAME OF A NOTORIOUS RACKETEER AND COMMUNIST-FRONTER WHO HAS RECEIVED THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE. ONE MAN WHO HATES AND ONE WHO LOVES: THE ONE WHO LOVES HIS BLACK BROTHER IS SHOT IN THE HEAD BY A COMMUNIST: THE ONE WHO HATES HIS WHITE BROTHER AND SUPPORTS THESE COMMUNISTS IS GIVEN A PEACE PRIZE AND \$50,000.

BUT, SAYS THE EMASCULATED AMERICAN, IT WAS AN ACCIDENT. [REDACTED] WASN'T EXECUTED OFFICIALLY, YOU KNOW. HE WAS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY AN ACCIDENTAL BULLET FROM AN ACCIDENTAL, AMERICAN-FINANCED GUN AND THE TRIGGER WAS PULLED, ACCIDENTALLY OF COURSE, BY A COMMUNIST REBEL.

PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS ALSO SHOT IN THE HEAD BY A COMMUNIST REBEL AND AMERICA DID NOTHING TO AVENGE HIS DEATH. SO WHO WILL AVENGE A SIMPLE MISSIONARY? HE WAS ONLY AN AMERICAN - AN AMERICAN DOCTOR - AN AMERICAN CHRISTIAN. WHO CARES? AMERICA MUST REMAIN THE COURAGE OF ITS FOREFATHERS OR THE DEADLY BATTLE WITH COMMUNISM WILL SURELY BE LOST.

LET FREEDOM RING!



March 26, 1964

Dearest [redacted]

The "Let Freedom Ring" that I wrote to you about is going to be nationwide in a very short time. The man who started it all is [redacted]

[redacted] your newly adopted City and State. He is a well known medical doctor. One of the most gratifying things about the work that we are in, is the type of people that become completely involved.

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[redacted] home phone number is: [redacted]
In order to get the taped message call: [redacted] Be sure to tell ALL of your friends about it! We haven't had to do one bit of advertising for our New Jersey number. The Newark Evening News did it all for us on its front page. See the enclosed clippings. It's the first real breakthrough we've had. Our friend LaVieve really "mothered" the thing up here. She got the idea from an Editor friend in Georgia, who thought New Jersey might be able to give the opposition the scare of their little "party-line" lives, and we sure did. The lines were so busy after the newspaper story that [redacted] had to have three more machines installed to handle the calls. From what the news story says apparently the opposition leaders are tearing their hair out, and they can't "jam" the machines because there is a special device that automatically shuts it off after the two minute tape is over.

Please call [redacted] and send him one of the two news clippings I have enclosed. LaVieve has already sent one to him, but if his mail is tampered with, as we suspect ours might be, he may not have received it.

Be sure to give [redacted] my warmest personal regards. We have never met, but in the type of work we're involved in, you become good and wonderful friends and you may never, ever meet - at least not in this world. However, you can be sure that when God calls us unto His self, we will know each other without a word being spoken. More later.

In His name, with love - [redacted]

[redacted]

men and nations have been much concerned with massive force and massive struggles.

But I hope that your experiences and your observations have instilled into you a new and lasting faith in the fact that is paramount.

On this earth, there is no force so strong, none so powerful, none so finally decisive as the influence for good or evil of the committed man or the committed woman.

The course of this Nation, the contest of this world, will finally be decided not by the force of the atom, not by the strength of arms, not by the weight of industrial production.

The future will finally fall to those that are most committed to their cause.

I know there are those who say of your generation that you are apathetic, that you are indifferent, that you are cold, hard, unfeeling and uncaring security chasers seeking only a sports car, a split level and an annuity.

Well, this I do not believe.

I know there are those who consider it correct to play it cool—right to remain reserved—not good form to show great faith.

But for myself, I believe that this generation of young Americans is a committed generation, anxious and asking to be permitted to fulfill that commitment.

Where other generations of Americans have had a rendezvous with war, I believe that your generation, God willing, will keep a rendezvous with peace.

Whether at home or far away, I believe it will be your destiny to fight wars men have never fought before—wars against poverty, wars against disease, against illiteracy, against discrimination, against all those things which blight the lives and the hopes of our fellow man.

As you are committed, I want you to know that your President is committed, too—committed to the future and not to the past, because we live in an age when the times men know in their youth are old history before men themselves have grown old.

The times of my generation's youth are old history now.

I came here—I was schooled here—in exciting and memorable years of our national history. None who ever knew those times can ever really forget them.

Your generation has no memory as mine does of Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal. Your generation did not know—and I pray never will know—the great depressions and the experience of the great recovery.

With due respect but without regret, we leave behind 1934 and turn to work for the promise of 1964, for the answers of the Roosevelt years and the answers of the Coolidge years—the answers of the Wilson and McKinley years do not serve as replies to the questions of our age or the answers of our time or the replies to today.

No man of our times understood this so well as John Fitzgerald Kennedy. He understood as we must all understand that in these times the Government of the United States must be lean and trim and not large and soft. He understood that power must be principled—that when nations acquire the capacity to destroy human life they must assert the courage to redeem human life; that when nations are sure of their strength they must never be unsure of their search for peace.

This is the course that we follow in our land today.

No man can say that the road ahead will be easy, that our footing will always be sure, that there will be no obstacles, no perils.

Wherever the strong and the free may walk, danger will stalk their trail.

I believe that 30 years from now when you are nearing the age that I have attained you will look back upon these 1960's as the time of the great American breakthrough—toward the victory of peace over war—toward the

victory of prosperity over poverty—toward the victory of human rights over human wrongs—toward the victory of enlightened minds over darkness.

Thomas Wolfe has written: "The true discovery of America is before us . . . the true fulfillment of our spirit, of our people, of our mighty land is yet to come."

Come give us what youth alone can give us, and together let us make that discovery. Thank you for coming here.

Renounce Hate Messages

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

HON. HERMAN TOLL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, August 20, 1964

Mr. TOLL. Mr. Speaker, under leave to extend my remarks I include a thought-provoking broadcast editorial on WCAU radio, in Philadelphia, on August 14, 1964:

Renounce Hate Messages

There's a vicious hate campaign going on in Philadelphia and across the Nation today. WCAU radio believes it has a duty to bring this revolting truth to its listeners.

As usual in such cases, the perpetrators of an attempt to rouse the basest instincts in man do so under the guise of patriotism. And as usual, under the cloak of secrecy.

They call themselves "Let Freedom Ring." The hatemongers circulate by word of mouth a telephone number on a Philadelphia exchange. Persons are asked, even tricked, into pressing the number. What they hear at the other end is a shocking appeal to racism . . . an attempt to whip the so-called white backlash into a frenzy.

They use aggression, innuendo, half-truth mixed with a menacing of truth. The voice which answers the phone says "Let freedom ring" and then proceeds to demand New People.

It claims the National Council of Civil Liberties is working to suppress a conspiracy with communists . . . with ready revolution as their goal. The anonymous voice also says, and we quote:

"We urge our listeners to purchase a rifle or pistol for home defense." The message continues: "We are not promoting insurrection as does the National Council of Churches."

Another message says, and we quote again: "It's likely that those three civil rights workers in Mississippi were kidnaped and murdered by their own kind to drum up sympathy for their cause." It talks of Communist errand boys in the White House.

For the benefit of those who might have just tuned in, those are quotes from messages being sent out anonymously over telephone lines . . . not the opinion of this station.

The telephone company will not disclose the name of the person who calls the bills for the daily hate message. The telephone company says it is powerless to act unless a message is obscene.

The company treats the hate message in the same way it protects an ordinary telephone number. Employees will release the names of callers behind "Let Freedom Ring" and "Let Freedom Ring."

It is the anonymous person who contacted the phone company service makes a condition of contract that his identity remain secret.

It may be that the telephone company should reveal its policies in this connection, although we're quite sure the phone

company is allowing this hate talk to go on in a manner prescribed by law.

But Chief Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes held that freedom of speech does not give permission to cry a false fire alarm in a crowded theatre. WCAU believes that such hate messages, at a time when the Nation is trying to grapple constructively with the problem of human rights, are feeding the fires of race hatred and possible violence. And we call upon all decent people to renounce such tactics by the undercover racists and hatemongers.

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LET FREEDOM RING!

THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN recommends a remarkably simple method of breaking through the communications barrier which is being sparked by Dr. W.C. Douglass of Sarasota, Florida.

Here is how it works:

A phone number is assigned to a local organization under the name of "Let Freedom Ring". Individuals are invited to pick up the telephone and dial the number which is advertised in the newspaper and passed along by word of mouth. The patriotic messages are recorded into an answering machine which costs from \$25.00 to \$45.00. The patriotic messages are supplied by the parent organization Let Freedom Ring, Inc., P. O. Box 645, Sarasota, Florida. It costs only \$24.00 a year to subscribe to this remarkable patriotic service. The messages are changed each week and are in harmony with the patriotic action movements of the country, thus contributing to the overall effectiveness of the American patriotic network.

At the present time, Let Freedom Ring has outlets in Baltimore, Philadelphia, Sarasota, two in the Newark, New Jersey area; Staten Island, New York; and Boulder, Colorado. Negotiations are now going forward to establish Let Freedom Ring services in Atlanta, Boston, Washington, D.C. and New York City.

We recommend that individuals and organizations who wish to establish this service in their own areas write a letter, identifying themselves giving three patriotic

references, which will be checked, to Dr. W.C. Douglass at the above address. Below we reproduce Message #116 dated November 10 for use during the week of November 15 to 21:

WHO IS THIS MAN?

A well-known political figure was once considered by his party as their candidate for president, but he was rejected. Four years later, because of his stand for government frugality, state's rights, and less central power, he was nominated by his party for the Presidency of the United States.

He was from a State that had been, until recently, on America's frontier. He was financially well-off, having inherited property from his father. He had a lot of gadgets in his home and the opposition ridiculed his hobbies.

Because of his stand for limited government, he was immediately branded as a fanatic. A former cabinet member said: "His politics are tinged with fanaticism, and we have everything to fear if this man comes in." Much of the American press and most of the foreign press was formerly opposed to him. This great patriot publicly expressed his alarm at the way the press was distorting his views.

Well, the American people sensible enough to see through the vicious propaganda being rained upon them and elect this great American? Yes, they were. They elected Thomas Jefferson as the third president of the United States.

Hysterical Article Implies That 'Let Freedom Ring' Is Subversive And That The President May Sue For Libel

2—Sarasota Herald-Tribune Monday, Oct. 22, 1962

FBI IS CHECKING

Phone Message Blasts JFK

There was a telephone number Sunday that was kept very busy, a number that, when dialed, brought a taped message that blasted President Kennedy and implied he was guilty of treason. The message's virulence centered upon what it claims are the Kennedy administration's plans to supply economic aid to Premier Ahmed Ben Bella of Algeria, which it claimed would be used by Ben Bella to spread communism throughout African countries.

It termed the premier a "communist butcher" who had sworn "eternal allegiance" to the "communist Russian tyranny" in Cuba. And it wound up with this statement:

"How long will the American people put up with treason right in the White House itself? How long before the American people demand the impeachment of John F. Kennedy?"

Ben Bella visited Kennedy in the White House last week and immediately afterward flew to Cuba for a session with Castro. The telephone number—924-5455—began with the phrase: "Let freedom ring . . ." And it wound up the same way.

News of the message spread somewhat like wildfire through the city; police, sheriff's office and newspapers received telephone calls from inquisitive residents, trying to find out what it all meant.

One thing appeared certain: it was not linked to Project Alert. Vice Adm. Walter G. Schindler (USN, Ret.), stated emphatically that it was not connected in any way with that organization, of which he was the founder and is now a director.

The sheriff's office said that Sheriff Ross Boyer had been apprised of the taped message and had passed the information on to the FBI in Tampa.

When the FBI office was contacted by the Herald-Tribune, it said that it was checking in to it but did not expect to have any information until today.

"Let Freedom Ring" has a listing with the General Telephone Co. office here, and one can obtain the 924-5455 number for it by simply asking the information operator.

The address is listed as 6916 Point of Rocks Rd.

The message begins like this: "Let freedom ring . . . Recently the President of the United States treated as an honored guest the communist butcher from communist Algeria, Ben Bella. Soon after this visit this communist butcher proceeded to Cuba where he swore eternal allegiance to the communist Russian tyranny. The Kennedy administration is prepared to ship massive economic aid to the present Algerian government to assure that revolutionary government's survival."

"It should be noted that while the United States will be bolstering up the anti-Western Algerian government with food and funds, the Soviet Union will be supplying the arms."

Fifteen Soviet MIG jet fighters are due to arrive this month in Algeria with trained flying and ground crews of 250 men . . .

The message goes on to say that Ben Bella's government has established the "closest revolutionary solidarity with Cuba," and is sending Communist guerrillas there to train terrorists for action in Central and South America and also in the United States.

The message is believed to have been taped on an "Electronic Secretary," a device which the telephone company itself sells, primarily for businessmen who wish to leave instructions for callers when they are out of town.

The strong tone of the message in regard to Kennedy evoked speculation as to its legality—in respect to libel laws.

The FBI in Tampa would not comment on this.

Let It Ring!

Dear Editor:

Let freedom ring! Why should any American object to the messages being brought to the public by a courageous young doctor who is not afraid to speak out in behalf of his country?

Yet there are many who convey the impression, either by word or innuendo, that there is something sinister or at least a little queer in the "Let Freedom Ring" recordings.

This young doctor is not alone in being persecuted because of his patriotism. An unheeding hostile America broke the heart of Joe McCarthy when he tried to make it aware of Communist infiltration in high government places; the prosecution of a despicable traitor in the State Department meant political suicide to Richard Nixon. And a long time before that, Nathan Hale died the ignoble death of a spy for his beloved country.

Instead of trying to find a questionable "angle" behind the "Let Freedom Ring" recordings, Sarasota — and America — would do well to listen. Listen and wake up! Let freedom ring!

EDNA LOGAN DAVIS
Sarasota

10—Sarasota Herald-Tribune Friday, Nov. 16, 1962

'Let Freedom Ring' Mystery Partially Solved

By LEE METCALF

The mystery surrounding a local telephone number listed as "Let Freedom Ring" was partially lifted Thursday.

The telephone number, which responds to dialing with taped political messages, apparently belong to Dr. William C. Douglass, who lives at 6916 Point of Rocks Road, the address listed with the General Telephone Co. for "Let Freedom Ring."

Dr. Douglass has avoided numerous requests for a personal interview.

However, Wednesday, the receptionist in his office at 3212 Hillview St., said that Dr. Douglass would answer questions submitted in writing.

Thursday, the questions submitted were returned by the receptionist with the following note attached:

"Please print the enclosed questions and answers in full or not at all. A Verifax copy has been retained by us."

(Signed) "Let Freedom Ring." The questions and answers are as follows:

1. Since this is a program to promote Americanism, there seems to be no reason for secrecy. Why has no sponsoring person or group been announced?

Answer: Why should there be? The sponsors seek no personal publicity.

2. Is this program financed or connected with any local or national organization such as Project Alert? Specifically is it connected with the John Birch Society?

Answer: No.

3. Is it your voice which is being broadcast?

Answer: Various voices are used.

4. What other individuals, locally or nationally, are sponsors?

Answer: Same as No. 1.

5. Is this simply a public-spirited gesture on your part?

Answer: A public-spirited gesture of local patriots.

one of them attacked the Kennedy administration for what it claimed were plans to supply economic aid to Premier Ahmed Ben Bella of Algeria and concluded with the questions:

"How long will the American people put up with treason right in the White House itself? How long before the American people demand the impeachment of John F. Kennedy?"

Dr. Douglass moved to Sarasota recently.

His biography is given in the November issue of the Sarasota Medical Society Bulletin, from which the accompanying picture was taken.

Dr. William C. Douglass came from the Naval Air Station at St. Louis, Mo., and, Fla.

He received his B. A. degree from the University of Rochester and his M.D. from the University of Miami School of Medicine in 1937, and served a rotational internship at St. Albans Naval Hospital, Long Island, N. Y., 1937-38. He also studied for six months in 1939 at the School of Aviation Medicine.

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"Dr. Douglass was in the Navy from 1944-46 and 1957-62, serving at the Naval Air Station at Sanford, Fla., Jacksonville, Long Island, Pensacola, Guam, Point Mugu, Calif., and then back to Sanford. He was obstetrician at Guam Memorial Hospital from 1959-1961 and in private practice in Ojai, Calif., for ten months in 1961.

"His hobbies are politics and government affairs, hunting, music, and golf; he is a member of the AAK medical fraternity and the American Association of Physicians and Surgeons; and he lives with his wife, Theo, and two children, Tracy and Campbell, at 6916 Point of Rocks Road."

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-2279) DATE: MAY 27 1965
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-1419)

LET FREEDOM RING
SARASOTA, FLORIDA
(OO: TP)

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CCO:

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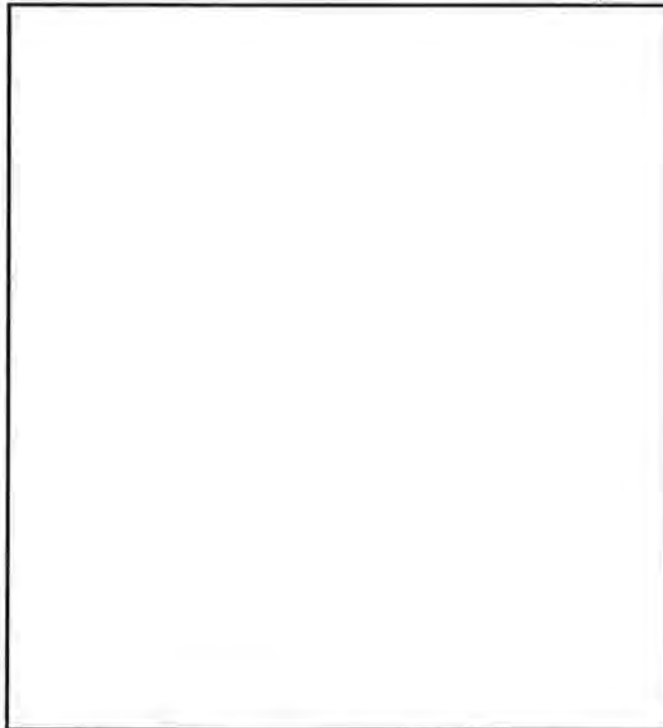
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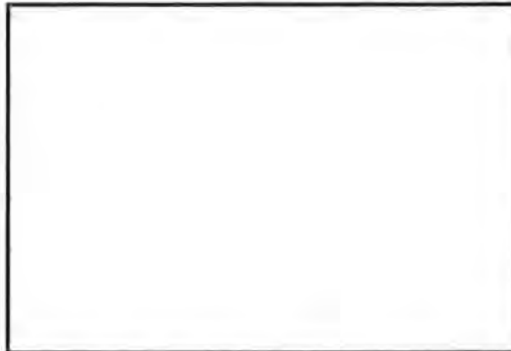
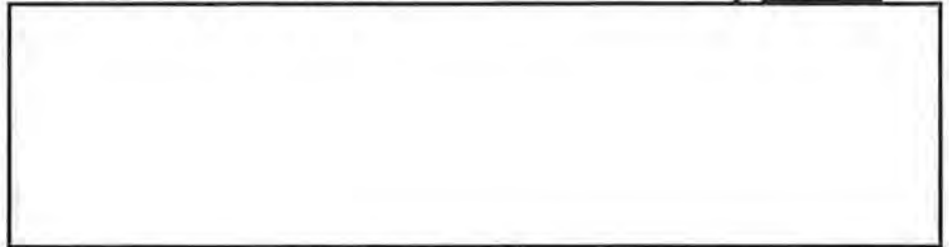
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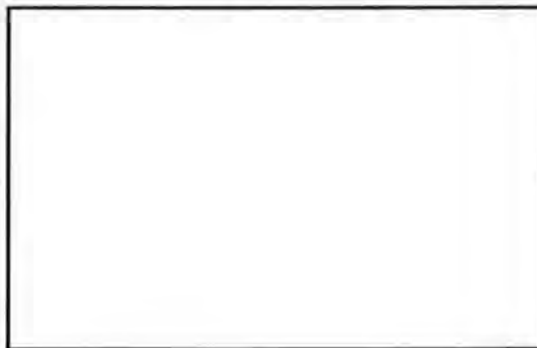
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The Patriot, Inc.
Post Office Box 743
Summit, New Jersey



[Redacted]
[Redacted] He is a practicing
[Redacted], residing with his wife

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[REDACTED] is also a charter member of and
[REDACTED] of the MacArthur Gun Club, Bradenton,
and Sarasota, Florida.

A source advised that the MacArthur Gun Club
was organized in May, 1964, for the purpose
of forming a "home guard to protect whites
against a Negro insurrection." Meetings have
been held at irregular intervals at homes of
various members. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Source advised [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and
the organization has not been active since that
time.

[REDACTED]

The source mentioned above is [REDACTED]

Tampa is following the activities of [REDACTED]
through established sources.

Receiving offices will identify captioned indi-
viduals, search indices, make credit and criminal check,
and conduct any investigation deemed appropriate.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-2279)

DATE:

JUN 23 1965

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-1419)

SUBJECT:

LET FREEDOM RING
SARASOTA, FLA.
(OO:TP)

ReTPlet to Bureau 5/27/65.

Enclosed herewith are following (2 copies each for the Bureau and one copy each for El Paso):

#1. 12 page list of names and addresses in Odessa, Texas.

#2. Printed form letter on Let Freedom Ring letterhead beginning "Dear Fellow Patriot."

Relet listed Let Freedom Ring (LFR) stations as known at that time. A more complete mailing list has now been obtained and is listed in full. Therefore there may be some repetition.

2 - Bureau (Encls 4) (RM)
2 - Atlanta (Encls 2) (RM)
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[redacted]
calls himself the [redacted] with head-
quarters at [redacted] He prepares weekly messages,
usually very critical of the Federal government, which
are recorded and played back to anyone who calls a certain
telephone number.

[redacted]
[redacted] He is a practicing [redacted]
[redacted] residing with his wife at [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] is also a charter member of and
[redacted] of the MacArthur Gun Club, Bradenton and
Sarasota, Fla.

A source advised that the MacArthur Gun Club
was organized in May, 1964, for the purpose of forming
a "home guard to protect whites against a Negro
insurrection." Meetings have been held at irregular
intervals at homes of various members. [redacted]
[redacted]

Source advised [redacted]
[redacted] and the
organization has not been active since that time.
[redacted]

The source mentioned above is [redacted]

Tampa is following the activities of [redacted]
through established sources.

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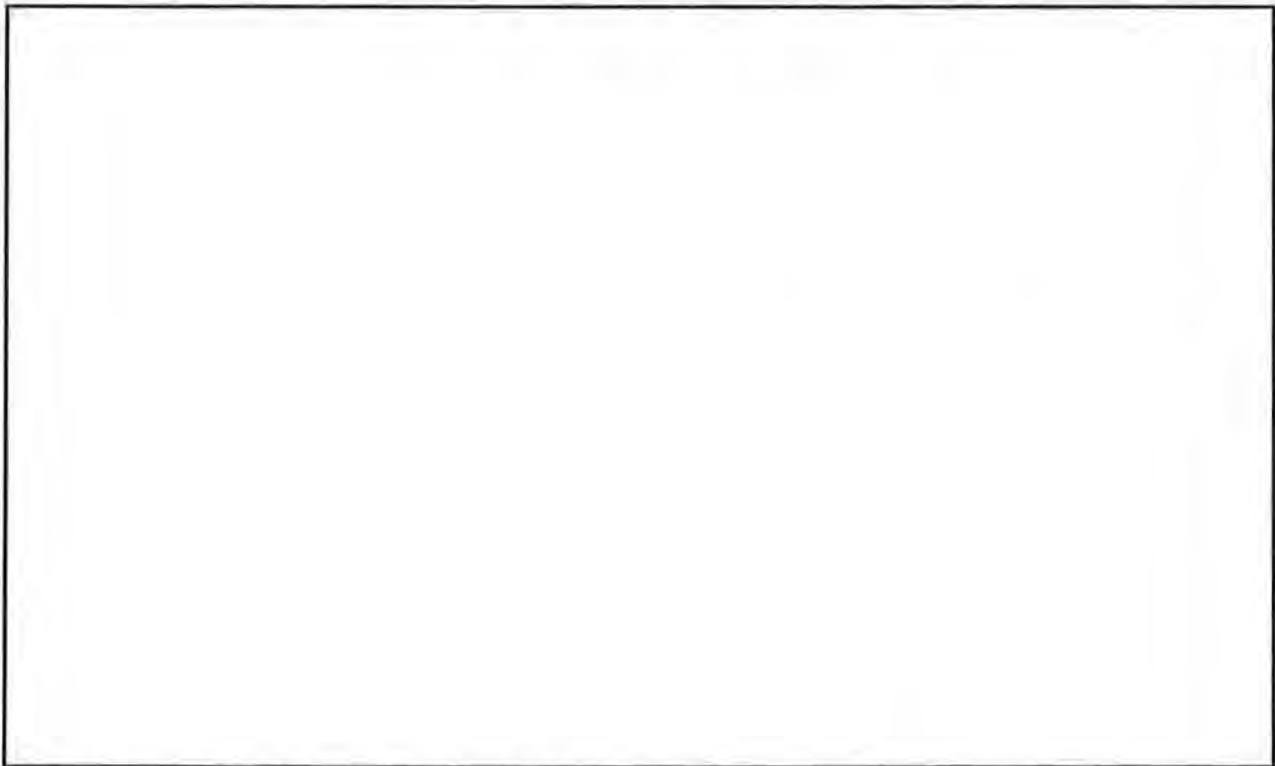
MEMPHIS, TENN (157-2273)

SAC, MEMPHIS (100-23460) (P)

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING
MEMPHIS, TENN
OO: MEMPHIS

Re Memphis letters to [redacted] 5/21/63 and 6/20/63.
Setting forth list of individuals to whom [redacted]
material is sent. b6
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Enclosure files reflect the following:



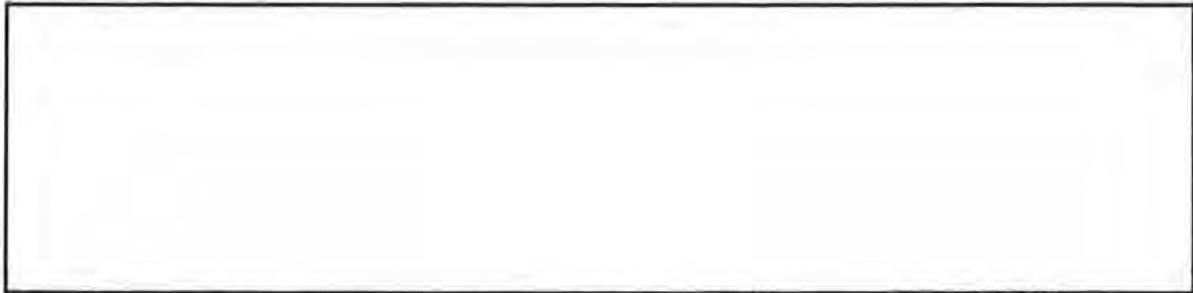
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with [redacted] information contains no information identifiable

[redacted] It is observed that Hyattsville, Maryland, is immediately adjacent to Washington, D.C., and many of its residents are employed at Washington, D.C., and their activities are centered there as is the credit agency.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE

DATE: 7/29/65

FROM :

[Redacted]

SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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On 7/29/65 this office was telephonically contacted by

[Redacted] who advised that she called telephone number [Redacted] and believed it to be some sort of subversive organization behind it.

[Redacted] was advised that this office is familiar with captioned organization and that we appreciated her information.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE

DATE: 8/29/65

FROM

[Redacted]

SUBJECT: PHONE # 377-7460

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At approximately 10:25pm, 8/29/65, [Redacted]
telephone [Redacted] telephonically contacted this office and advised that a friend
had given him the above number and told him to call it. [Redacted] stated that a
recorded message about negroes and the racial situation was heard.



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[Redacted]

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE

DATE: 8/28/65

FROM [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: PHONE # 377-7460

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At approximately 8:00pm 8/28/65, [REDACTED] telephonically contacted this office to advise that some friends had told him about the above mentioned phone number and told him to call it, [REDACTED] did call the number and listened to a recorded message about communism and also about the racial situation. At one point in the message the message states that the negroes are arming them selves.

*This is not mentioned
the message is about
the Peace Corps with
nothing mentioned
concerning arming.*



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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC(100-23460)

DATE: 9/22/65

FROM

[Redacted]

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SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[Redacted]
this date telephonically advised that [Redacted]

[Redacted] was advised by a co-worker to call telephone number 377-7460. When his wife called this number she heard a voice declare "Let Freedom Ring" and a denunciation of Sargent Shriver and the Peace Corps. When [Redacted] called this number, more recently, a female voice denounced the PTA's of America as left-wing organizations attempting to Federalize education. At the end of the recording the voice invited the caller to attend a speech by [Redacted] on 9/22/65 at the Dunbarton High School, Baltimore, Maryland.

[Redacted]

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[Signature]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE

DATE: 9/23/65

FROM :

[REDACTED]

SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING;

[REDACTED]

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On 9/21/65 the Baltimore office was telephonically con-
tacted by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] who advised this office of the
telephone tape recording Let Freedom Ring. She also advised
that she lives next door to [REDACTED] who lives at
[REDACTED] She advised that [REDACTED] is an [REDACTED]
in the John Birch Society and that he has trucks at his house
to deliver and pick up literature about the society.

[REDACTED] was thanked for her information.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (

DATE: 9/23/65

FROM : IC [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: "LET FREEDOM RING"
telephone number
377-7460

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On 9/23/65 [REDACTED] Methodist Church, LI 2-0819, advised that several of his congregation had notified his office of a subversive message, being announced on telephone number 377-7460. [REDACTED] advised that he believes that it is a JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY propaganda.

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A call to telephone number 377-7460 revealed that a woman speaker, opening with the words "LET FREEDOM RING", is criticizing one BAYARD RUSTIN, and the UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND's Law Enforcement Institute.

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IDENTITIES DUE ON RECORDINGS

FCC Got Complaints About 'Let Freedom Ring'

By CHARLES V. FLOWERS
(Washington Bureau of The Sun)

Washington, Oct. 6—Because of complaints about "Let Freedom Ring" recordings, the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company and other members of the Bell System will begin giving out the names of sponsors of recorded messages, officials said today.

The National Council of Churches and the Anti-Defamation League made the complaints in letters to the Federal Communications Commission here.

Both groups said that the "Let Freedom Ring" anonymous recorded telephone messages libeled them by calling them followers of the Communist line.

Baltimore Sponsor Known
Baltimore has an unlisted "Let Freedom Ring" number, though the sponsor does not hide behind anonymity. He is Grover L. Bertram, the operator of American Opinion Library in Towson. He said today he has used several scripts condemning the National Council of Churches.

The Federal Communications

Commission has taken no official action on the complaints because it has no jurisdiction over the contents of messages on the phone lines. It forwarded the letters of protest to the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, parent of the various Bell Systems.

Officials of American Telephone and Telegraph replied that it would be censorship to prohibit "Let Freedom Ring" recordings but that the names of sponsors of all recorded messages could be given out.

Cites Change of Policy

William C. Stirling, the Chesapeake and Potomac division commercial manager in Baltimore, said today that as of October 24 the phone company will give names of sponsors of any recorded messages. Company regulations have prohibited this but a change in policy has been filed with the Public Service Commission, he said.

The Anti-Defamation League letter to the FCC said that the "Let Freedom Ring" program of "scurrilous attacks" was originated by Dr. William C. Douglass, in Sarasota, Fla., less than three years ago.

According to the letter, Dr. Douglass's messages may be heard in more than 30 cities from coast to coast and Detroit has 10 such "stations."

The recordings are sometimes referred to by opponents as "dial a hate" message.

Prospectus Quoted

The Anti-Defamation League quotes Dr. Douglass's prospectus as:

"Let Freedom Ring is a non-profit corporation established to disseminate anti-Communist, anti-Socialist, pro-American broadcasts via a telephone tape recording."

The league said that the Let Freedom Ring scripts "are lurid visions of a Communist conspiracy allegedly making behind civil

rights, the United Nations, the United States Supreme Court, the last three United States Presidents, the State Department, the press, the National Council of Churches, the American Civil Liberties Union, and others."

In its letter of protests, the league quoted an April script as saying "at the forefront of this vicious campaign against American patriots are the Communist press and the Anti-Defamation League."

"Device Warrants Action"

"We believe," the league said in its letter to the FCC, that the widespread use of this new device warrants action by the commission to require telephone companies to revise their practices. "In order to curb this flagrant misuse of the recorded message service."

The National Council of Churches, an organization of 30 Protestant, Anglican and Orthodox communions, said the Let Freedom Ring messages are "anonymous, flagrantly defamatory attacks and libels on individuals, institutions (that sow) fear, distrust, strife and hate through the communities of our land."

Birch Society Member

The letter quoted attacks on the National Council of Churches by Let Freedom Ring recordings. The purpose of the council is to "promote the application of the law of Christ in every relation of life," according to the letter, signed by Charles H. Tuttle, of a New York law firm representing the council.

Mr. Bertram, the sponsor of Let Freedom Ring in Baltimore, said he has used some of the scripts prepared by Dr. Douglass and has written some himself.

Mr. Bertram said he is a member of the John Birch Society but that Let Freedom Ring is independent and not influenced by the society.

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NO APPEALS MADE ON TAPE MESSAGES

Phone Firm To Give Names Of Sponsors Of Recordings

By ARNOLD R. ISAACS

The Public Service Commission reported yesterday it has received no protests within the appeals period from sponsors of tape-recorded telephone messages against a new rule allowing disclosure of their names.

Consequently, the regulation will take effect tomorrow as scheduled. Yesterday was the last day for appeals to the commission.

Under the new policy, the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company will give out names and addresses of subscribers who use their phones to deliver taped messages.

Groups Alleged Libel

The company filed the regulation with the Public Service Commission after complaints about the messages of "Let Freedom Ring," a telephone service whose recorded scripts echo the views of the John Birch Society and other far-right groups.

The National Council of Churches and the Anti-Defamation League had complained to the Federal Communication Commission that they were libeled by "Let Freedom Ring" messages.

The commission said it had no jurisdiction over the contents of messages and referred the complaints to the parent American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

Previously the telephone company would not tell an inquirer the name or address of a subscriber who used the service to purvey taped messages.

Have Opportunity To Reply

When the new rule was filed with the Public Service Commission, a company spokesman said

the firm has "no authority to tell a subscriber how he may use the service. . . . We are taking this action to permit offended customers to learn who is responsible for the messages. In this way, complainants have the opportunity to make known their views directly to the parties sponsoring the recording."

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P.T.A. Leader Hits Phone Attacks

By George Rodgers

Mrs. Jennelle Moorhead today ripped into the right-wing "Let Freedom Ring" telephone campaign, labeling it a "dial-a-hate" campaign.

The president of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers said the recorded messages, heard in about 30 cities, were "the most recent tactic" in a nationwide series of "vicious, underhanded attacks by extremist groups" on the P.T.A.

"If you dial the number," she said, "and an anonymous recorded voice delivers a 90-second 'fright' or 'hate' message—a message designed to arouse suspicion or fear."

Mrs. Moorhead saved her strongest words for a "Let Freedom Ring" message on the P.T.A. heard in many cities in recent months.

"Political Lobby" Charge

"The scurrilous message on the P.T.A. charges that it is basically a political lobby for left-wing educators who work closely with bureaucrats in the United States Office of Education so completely federalize our schools in the Russian manner."

"This ridiculous charge, of course, demonstrates the extremists' smear and big-lie technique," Mrs. Moorhead said. "The bigger the lie the better."

Mrs. Moorhead's remarks were part of a speech entitled "Critical Issues in Our Democracy" prepared for the first general session of the two-day Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers convention, which marks the group's fiftieth anniversary.

Hers was the keynote address before more than 500 delegates assembled at the Lord Baltimore Hotel to hear speeches and to discuss educational issues.

Mrs. Moorhead told what she has done to combat the latest extremist attack on the P.T.A.:

"I have protested to the Bell Telephone System on permitting the use of its automatic announcement service for such slanderous

attacks. I urge you to protest to your local telephone company if such messages are transmitted over its equipment."

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company, she said, has suggested to its local companies that they give out on request the names and addresses of sponsors of all recorded messages.

"By slandering the National P.T.A., extremists hope to separate (local) P.T.A.'s from their state congress and the National P.T.A. in order to take them over and use them for their own undemocratic purposes," she said. "This must not happen."

Extremism Of Left, Right

"Wherever and whenever extremism—either of the left or right—threatens freedom of speech and freedom to read, to teach and to learn, the P.T.A. must be in the front line fighting that threat," she said.

Mrs. Moorhead, a housewife and college professor in Eugene, Ore., has warned in talks to P.T.A. units throughout the nation this year that right-wing extremists want to take over P.T.A.'s and then move on to seize control of the public schools and to dictate how they are run.

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Let It Ring

A Senate subcommittee is now investigating the tone and timbre of "freedom" as it rings in the ears of thousands of Americans in 30 cities who pick up their phones and dial the number for a free, right-wing message. The senators will find, for one thing, that it rings rather loud; a little more volume control would help, thank you. They will also find that the "Let Freedom Ring" organization has taped little two-minute exhortations against the President, the Vice President, the National Council of Churches, the P.T.A., Senator Javits of New York and (today in Baltimore) the income tax. Some of them are intemperate and some, like the monologue against the income tax, are calm in tone and language.

It matters little that the substance of these messages, which reflect the philosophy of the John Birch Society, if translated into policy would turn the United States Government into a weak, Eighteenth Century-style Republic, leaving it helpless to cope with two Communist giants as well as with the powerful and conflicting elements in our own modern society. What matters is that the ultras who sponsor and prepare this hogwash have a right to disseminate it so long as they stay within the bounds of current laws on libel and slander. After all, they don't impose on you, as some commercial firms do—you must dial them to get the message. And the telephone company will provide the names of the sponsors upon request.

Senator Pastore, chairman of the subcommittee which is looking into the matter, has said the subcommittee would be "very, very sensitive about not disturbing free speech and not getting into censorship." This is a welcome assurance, for "Let Freedom Ring" or any other group must remain free to proclaim that everyone is out of step but them. One day it may be that some such group will say that, and be correct.

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Phone Message Checks Sought

(See Below)

The Public Service Commission has outlined a three-point program to keep an official eye on recorded messages transmitted over Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company lines in Maryland.

In a letter to L. Mercer Smith, executive vice president of the telephone company, Solomon Liss, PSC chairman, noted that the messages fall within PSC jurisdiction.

Mr. Liss proposed that the phone company file with the PSC the name of whoever contracts with the company for a recorded message and a copy of the message. He also asked the company for information about recorded messages that are transmitted to telephone subscribers without their having to call a number.

"Invasion Of Privacy"

"We are disturbed by the system which permits the transmission of recorded messages to persons who are not callers... but are selected at random or intentionally by the person transmitting the messages. We feel this is an invasion of privacy," Mr. Liss said.

He asked the company for an explanation of how such messages are transmitted and how often, as well as whether the telephone company feels that safeguards are imposed.

Earlier, complaints about "Let Freedom Ring" recorded messages led the telephone company to announce October 6 that it would make available the names of those who contract for the messages to anybody who wants to know, after October 24.

Action Follows Complaints

William C. Stirling, the C.&P. commercial division manager in Baltimore, said the phone company would provide names and addresses of those who sponsor any recorded message.

The announcement came after complaints had been filed with the Federal Communications Commission, which sent the complaints to the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, parent organization of C.&P. The complaints came from the Anti-Defamation League and the National Council of Churches.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-22382)

DATE: 1/21/66

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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[REDACTED] Garrison Station, Baltimore County Police Bureau (484-[REDACTED]) called this date to advise that he received an anonymous telephone call from a woman at his Station to the effect that there could be demonstrations tonight at the Franklin Sr. High School, Reisterstown, Md. The woman gave a number in Towson but called back minutes later requesting that this number not be called but that 377-7460 be called.

Garrison Station Library
[REDACTED] called this latter number and discovered it to be the "Let Freedom Ring." The message was that a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was speaking at Franklin Senior High School this evening at 8:30 p.m. [REDACTED] called Franklin Senior High School and verified the fact that the American Open Library, 602 E. Joppa Rd., had contracted for the auditorium of the school this evening. The persons who signed for the evening on behalf of the American Open Library were [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that at the conclusion of the meeting, he would call the Baltimore Office and advise if there were any incidents in connection with the meeting.

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Veritas Vos Liberabit

By GERALD "SWEET PIE" BRECHER

If you feel you need a good laugh dial 377-7460 sometime. Into your ear will issue one of the most obnoxious female voices in captivity greeting you with a hearty 'Let Freedom Ring.' Following this injunction you will be entitled to listen to what must be some of the most outrageous tripe ever to assault the human ear.

These messages are sponsored by a Mr. G. L. Bertram, 226 Rodgers Forge Road, Baltimore, Md., and his name appears hastily slurred at the end of each tape. The content of Mr. Bertram's message varies. As a matter of fact, it charges regularly every Monday and Thursday. What it consists of in the main however, is the standard right wing pap. In the past weeks the tapes have urged support to 'freedom loving, anti-communist Rhodesia'; assailed Senator Robert Kennedy for being 'the senior Senator from North Viet-Nam'; attacked gun control legislation as playing into the hands of the 'twenty combat divisions' of communist troops on American soil; urged cancellation of plans to give the Panama Canal back to that 'two-bit, runt country' of Panama; and attacked the War on Poverty as a 'war on property' and a scheme for buying votes for the Democratic party, as well as giving the poor, who are characterized as 'criminals and degenerates' a voice in policy.

Along with the standard attacks on the 'Warren Court' and the civil rights movement, this telephone crusade to save God, Mother, and the American Way, spews out all the venom and distrust this man, Bertram, can muster for his one man assault on American Civilization as we know it today. There is, of course, no real remedy for this man's stupidity. For a start on his education, however, perhaps a squad of Hopkins students might be enlisted to call his telephone number at home, and read to him incessantly the editorial pages of the

New York Times, or perhaps the newsletter of the W.E.B. DuBois Clubs, or even the S.D.S. pamphlets and subject him to the same sort of treatment that those who dial his educational service receive.

If we are going to let freedom ring, it might as well be a two way street. There is probably nothing as obnoxious about the whole right wing movement than its priggishly righteous insistence upon monopolizing the word freedom, liberty, American, etc. These words, which I imagine mean more to Mr. Bertram than do the inane monologues he sets spinning on the telephone, are not the copyrighted property of right wing. The right wing's every premise is in effect a negation of the principles which these words espouse, and it seems un- that men like Mr. Bertram must cloak themselves in the flag and stand upon the altar of patriotism in order to justify their own grandiose sense of importance.

This Bertram is a small man indeed, appealing to every small man in the country to join in a holy war against their betters. His smallness is that of spirit, of mind, of reason. And it is the Bertrams of this country who are to be feared the most. Primarily because there appear to be so many of them, and secondarily, because they open their yaps the loudest the minute they sense any erosion of their already, and justifiably, insecure position in society. Like scorpions they are alert constantly to the slightest disintegration of their base positions, and they would rather sting their society to death rather than allow the most infinitesimal elements of reason enter into it and expose their sorry lot.

This man Bertram, then, is really a menace, whose ludicrous nature should not mask his insidious intent. Were I after the disintegration of this country, and I was seeking a fifth columnist in Baltimore, I would dial 377-7460, and Let Freedom Ring.

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FROM:
SUBJECT:

SAC, BALTIMORE

Date received

Received from (name or symbol number)

Received by

2/10/66

Method of delivery (check appropriate)

X ☒ in person ☐ by telephone ☐ by mail ☐ orally ☐ recording device ☐ written by Informant

If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent:

Date

Dictated _____ to _____

Transcribed _____

Authenticated
by Informant _____

Date of Report

Date(s) of activity

Brief description of activity or material

File where original is located if not attached

Re

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The original material was given to SA [redacted] on 2/8/66 who made a xerox copy that same day and returned the originals to the informant on 2/10/66. A xerox copy of the material is being made a part of this memorandum.

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MARCH 11, 1966

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: 3/18/66

TO: SAC, NEW YORK

FROM: SA [REDACTED] (#42)

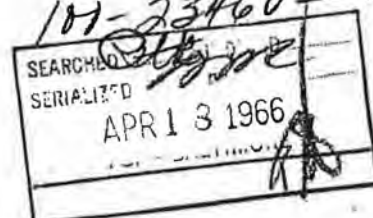
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SUBJECT:

[REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable
information in the past, furnished the [REDACTED] of
the Midweek Edition of "The Worker". "The Worker" is an east
coast Communist newspaper.

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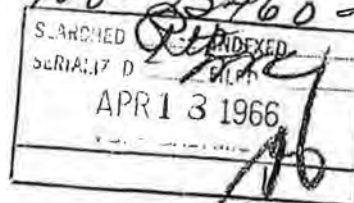
[REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the the Weekend Edition of "The Worker". "The Worker" is an east coast Communist newspaper.

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[REDACTED]

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"DEFEND OUR FREEDOMS" - WBAL Radio - June 7 through 1966

Monday

5:35 - 5:45 a.m.
11:35 - 11:45 a.m.
2:35 - 2:45 p.m.

Tuesday

5:35 - 5:45 a.m.
11:35 - 11:45 a.m.
5:45 - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

12:35 - 12:45 p.m.
3:35 - 3:45 p.m.
7:05 - 7:15 p.m.

Thursday

6:35 - 6:45 a.m.
12:35 - 12:45 p.m.
2:35 - 2:45 p.m.

Friday

12:30 - 12:45 p.m.

Saturday

8:45 - 8:55 a.m.
1:35 - 1:45 p.m.
4:35 - 4:45 p.m.

Sunday

7:15 - 7:25 a.m.
1:15 - 1:25 p.m.

The above is a time schedule for an excellent series of brief anti-Communist tapes featuring J. Edgar Hoover. Please listen. Pass this on to others. Please support WBAL with calls and letters.

WBAL Radio
3800 Hooper Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Telephone 467-3000

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Main Post Office Building
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23460)

DATE: 9/15/67

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: LET FREEDOM RING
SM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

He stated that on this date, he received in the mail a plain four-cent postcard with a message on the back, stating, "Please call these two numbers" and then listed the following numbers: 377-7460 and MO 40978.

Out of curiosity, the [REDACTED] stated that he dialed the first number and determined that it was a canned message which contained a brazen attack on one of the members of the U. S. Supreme Court. He stated he then called the second number, which contains a canned prayer starting out with a psalm as a text and then interpretation of the psalm, which, in his opinion, is not Theologically sound. He assumed that the two numbers are connected with some unknown organization.

The [REDACTED] stated he telephoned the Telephone Company complaining and was informed by them that there was nothing the Telephone Company could do since no crime was involved. [REDACTED] stated he was calling this information into the FBI as he felt someone should know about this operation.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Baltimore

DATE: 6/15/68

FROM

[REDACTED]

- Clerk

SUBJECT: "LET FREEDOM RING"

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At approximately 8:35 p.m. this date, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically

contacted this office and advised that an unknown male had telephonically advised his mother to call 821-7171. Complainant advised that he called this number and listened to a transcribed message discussing racial matters in the United States following the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King.

At approximately 9:00 p.m. this date, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically advised also that she had been told by a friend [REDACTED] Telephone # [REDACTED] to call 821-7171. [REDACTED] stated she called this number and listened to the same message discussing racial matters following Martin Luther King's murder.



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[Handwritten signature]

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

9-29-69

Date received 8/25/69	Received from (name or symbol number) [redacted] (PROB)	Received by SA [redacted]
Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks) <input type="checkbox"/> in person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by telephone <input type="checkbox"/> by mail <input type="checkbox"/> orally <input type="checkbox"/> recording device <input type="checkbox"/> written by Informant		

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If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent:
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Transcribed _____
Authenticated by Informant _____

Date of Report
9/8/69
Date(s) of activity
8/23/69
File where original is located if not attached
[redacted]

Brief description of activity or material
Contact with [redacted]
[redacted]

Remarks:
The Glenbrook Rifle Assoc. Inc. on Solley Rd, Arundel Co.
may be the rifle range [redacted] A mail box at the
roadside bear the name [redacted]

Baltimore

[redacted]
100-22623
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

Shawville Sportmen Lodge

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Glenbrook Rifle Assoc, Inc

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9-3-69

Date received 9/2/69	Received from (name or symbol number) [redacted]	Received by [redacted]
Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks) <input type="checkbox"/> In person <input type="checkbox"/> by telephone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by mail <input type="checkbox"/> orally <input type="checkbox"/> recording device <input type="checkbox"/> written by Informant		

If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent: Date _____ Dictated _____ to _____ Transcribed _____ Authenticated by Informant _____	Date of Report _____ Date(s) of activity _____
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Brief description of activity or material National Youth Alliance Forum, Towson, Md.	Date of Report 8/15/69
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Remarks: photos of [redacted] from [redacted]
[redacted] are being filed in 1A 8 [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Baltimore, Maryland

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 163-367

May 12, 1971

RE: THE CATONSVILLE COMMUNITY
LECTURE FORUM

The following information regarding the Catonsville Community Lecture Forum (CCLF) was obtained through a suitable telephonic pretext. On May 11, 1971, an official of the Catonsville Public Library advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that the CCLF rents a room from the library and holds meetings there once a month. The official advised that the Catonsville Public Library has no connection with the CCLF other than renting the space to them for their meetings. The official further advised that [REDACTED]

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On May 11, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he is a member of the CCLF. He indicated the CCLF was organized by a group of six interested citizens. He stated it is a nonprofit organization, with no political affiliation and is not affiliated with any other organization. He advised the purpose of the organization is to let people know what is going on in the country and to let people know what the "revolution" is all about. He indicated that the organization meets every third Tuesday of each month at the Catonsville Public Library. The meetings consist of a lecture by one of the six organizing members of the group or a filmstrip followed by an open discussion. He indicated the meetings are open to the public.

On April 27, 1971, May 3 and 10, 1971, calls were made to Baltimore telephone number 821-7171 by a Special Agent of the FBI. On each of these dates, a different recorded message of approximately two minutes in length was heard. Each message ended with the words "Call

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RE: THE CATONSVILLE COMMUNITY
LECTURE FORUM

Monday for a new message. Let Freedom Ring! [redacted]

[redacted] No mention
was made of the CCLF in any of these recorded messages.

Let Freedom Ring is a self-described nonprofit corporation established to disseminate anti-Communist and anti-Socialist broadcasts via a telephone tape recording. The organization is nationwide and its headquarters is in Sarasota, Florida.

A member [redacted] of the organization in Baltimore, Maryland is [redacted] G.L. BERTRAM, [redacted] was a member of Let Freedom Ring. b6 b7C

On May 11, 1971, records of the Baltimore County Police Bureau were reviewed by [redacted] and no record identifiable with [redacted] was located. Records of the following agencies were reviewed by the persons indicated on May 11, 1971 without locating any record regarding G.L. BERTRAM [redacted]

Baltimore City Police Department per [redacted]
[redacted] Baltimore County Police Bureau per [redacted]

On May 11, 1971, records of the Credit Bureau of Baltimore were reviewed by [redacted] and indicated that G.L. BERTRAM, [redacted] had died on January 27, 1971.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (163-367) RUC
SUBJECT: THE CATONSVILLE COMMUNITY LECTURE FORUM
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
BUDED 5/14/71
OO:BUREAU

Re Bureau letter to Baltimore dated 4/23/71. b6
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Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of
an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Baltimore indices negative regarding the
Catonville Community Lecture Forum (CCLF) and [redacted]
[redacted] Baltimore indices regarding [redacted]
[redacted] and G.L. BERTRAM, and Let Freedom Ring, revealed
Baltimore file 100-23460, Bureau file [redacted] captioned
[redacted] Let Freedom Ring, Sarasota,
Florida, OO:Tampa", contained information concerning
these individuals and the organization Let Freedom Ring.

Telephone pretexts referred to in enclosed
LHM conducted by SA [redacted] and was that of
private citizen interested in the activities of the
CCLF.

Information concerning Let Freedom Ring

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contained in enclosed LHM was obtained through a review
of Baltimore file 100-23460 by SA [REDACTED]

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ASC [REDACTED] Credit and criminal checks conducted by

Informant has provided reliable information in the past.

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Date prepared

12/3/71

Date received

11/30/71

Received from (name or symbol number)

Received by

SA

Method of delivery (check appropriate boxes)

☐ in person

☐ by telephone

☐ by mail

☒ orally

☐ recording device

☐ written by Informant

If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent:

Date

Dictated 12/3/71 to CCS

Transcribed

Authenticated
by Informant

Date of Report

12/3/71

Date(s) of activity

November, 1971

Brief description of activity or material

Information regarding

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* INDIVIDUALS DESIGNATED BY AN ASTERISK (*) ONLY ATTENDED A MEETING AND DID NOT ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE. VIOLENCE OR REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES WERE NOT DISCUSSED.

☐ Information recorded on a card index by on date

Remarks:

The man and his daughter who showed the films at the Catonsville Library are believed to be

In 5/71,

said that the Catonsville Community Lecture Forum met once a month at the Catonsville Public Library for lectures, filmstrips and discussion. The meetings were open to the public and the organization was non-profit and non-political. According to their purpose was to let people know what the "revolution" is all about.

The man and wife who were associated with "Let Freedom Ring" are believed to be G. L. BERTRAM.

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"Let Freedom Ring" is self-described as a non-profit corporation established to disseminate anti-communist and anti-socialist broadcasts via a telephone tape recording. The organization is nation wide with headquarters at Sarasota, Florida. A member and secretary of the organization in Baltimore was [redacted]

In 1971, Credit Bureau of Baltimore records reflected that G. L. BERTRAM, [redacted] had died on 1/27/71.

Informant made available on 12/7/71, the following:

Xeroxed material which he had received from [redacted] who had originally received it from [redacted]

"Silencers", by LARRY S. STERETT;

"Firearms Silencers", by DONALD B. MC LEAN, Normount Armament Company, Forest Grove, Oregon;

"Silencers", Minutemen, P.O. Box 68, Norborne, Mo.

The above material is filed in the 1-A Section of 157-4610.

Recommendation: Index

Copies: Baltimore

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G. L. Bertram, Let Freedom Ring

National Community Action Forum